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Police out in force but no serious incidents

Jerusalemites flock to Shabbat films

By ANDY COURT
and HERB KEINON

Secular Jerusalemites went to the movies on Friday night in numbers that surprised both their leaders and Jerusalem Mayor Teddy Kollek.

The Beit Agron cinema screened *Little Shop of Horrors* and then *Body Heat* to two full houses of roughly 250 people. A crowd of about 800 people waited outside the cinema from about 10 p.m. until midnight, wearing stickers which said, "To be a free people in our own land," a line from *Haitiya*.

At three other locations where films were screened, the situation was similar. About 100 people filled Beit Yitzhaki in the German Colony, while another 100 people assembled outside. About 120 saw a film at Tzavta, where 200-300 people gathered outside.

Police were out in force in anticipation of a repetition of the violence of recent weeks, but reported it was a relatively quiet weekend.

Police dispersed a group of ultra-Orthodox youth in the area of Ethiopia Street, said acting police spokesman Avi Zelba.

Yesterday, at about 5 p.m., police used their new water cannon to disperse a few dozen ultra-Orthodox youths who were reportedly throwing

bottles and stones in the area of the Mitchell Theatre, Zelba said. One youth was arrested.

At the Cinematheque, the cafe and the movie hall were reportedly filled. Jerusalem Mayor Teddy Kollek dropped in at the cafe and also called at other places screening movies.

"I was surprised by the large number of people who were at Beit Agron and the Cinematheque," Kollek said in a radio interview yesterday morning. "This was a happy public that didn't come there in order to anger anybody, but rather to fulfill a need of theirs."

"I knew that there was a need," Kollek said.

Scuffle in Haifa

By YA'ACOV FRIEDLER

HAIFA. — A Shabbat-evening "pray-out" in the Rehov Nordau pedestrian mall here ended in a scuffle between worshippers and newsmen.

Two reporters were slightly hurt, a Kol Yisrael tape recorder was smashed and a glass table-top outside a cafe was broken.

This reporter, who was also caught in the fray but had no tape recorder and was wearing a kippa, remained untouched. (Continued on Page 2, Col. 2)

"But I didn't know the extent of it. I was convinced by this."

MK Dedi Zucker (Citizens Rights Movement) and Nahum Solan, chairman of Mapam's Jerusalem branch, said that the turnout also exceeded their expectations.

Scores of police and border patrolmen cordoned off the Orthodox Mea Shearim area on Friday night. Police stood at entrances to the neighborhood to keep the ultra-Orthodox protesters from marching into the city and to keep secular provocateurs out. Calls for a nighttime demonstration followed by a march into the centre of town were not heeded.

Close to midnight, small groups of children gathered on Rehov Straus, where they threw bottles, yelled "Shabbos, Shabbos" and kicked tin cans. After the first bottle was thrown, police stationed on Straus and Nevi'im streets quickly donned helmets and took truncheons in hand. But the number of children trying to provoke the police remained small, and no force was necessary.

On Friday afternoon, before Shabbat began, Agudat Yisrael city councillors Meir Porush and Avraham Leizerovitz went to the main entrance of (Continued on Page 2, Col. 2)

Peres moots Israeli role in U.S. project if Lavi is scrapped

By AVI TEMKIN

and ASHER WALLFISH

Vice Premier Shimon Peres, seeking a way out of the cabinet deadlock over the Lavi jetfighter, has indicated that he might agree to scrap the project if the U.S. accepts extensive Israeli participation in the development of future aircraft, such as the next generation of F-16s.

Government sources last night said that this was only one of the options the vice premier was looking into. At present, however, Peres would still prefer continuing the Lavi project. But the deadlock in the cabinet between the pro- and anti-Lavi camps has prompted him to look for alternatives.

The talks on the future of the Lavi have created tensions among Likud ministers. Relations between Prime

Minister Yitzhak Shamir and Finance Minister Moshe Nissim have become greatly strained because of Nissim's firm opposition to the project, political sources say. Nissim has not been invited to a meeting to be held today between Shamir, Peres and Defence Minister Yitzhak Rabin.

The sources said that most of the options Peres is exploring are based on the continuation of the project. They said Peres is convinced that Israel must stay within the group of countries developing aircraft because of the valuable technological spinoffs. Peres has also said he fears the country may lose many scientists, engineers and highly skilled workers if the Lavi is scrapped.

The Lavi issue is not expected to come up at today's weekly cabinet session.

On Friday, Peres and Shamir dis-

cussed their efforts to keep the project going. Peres outlined various proposals, one of which would call for abandoning production of the present model of the Lavi, while continuing research and development for a later-generation fighter to fly after the year 2000.

Both Shamir and the Israel Aircraft Industries have rejected the proposal, the sources said.

The proposal was also rejected by Nissim when he met with Peres on Friday. Nissim continues to demand that the Lavi be scrapped, and that the funds released be used to develop weapons required by the army and to purchase American F-16s.

The proposal to participate in the production of American jetfighters was one of the alternatives discussed in the 1986 report by Dov Zakheim, then U.S. assistant undersecretary of defence.

Rabin ready to weigh alternatives

By JOSHUA BRILLIANT
Jerusalem Post Reporter

Defence Minister Yitzhak Rabin appeared ready yesterday to consider the alternatives to the Lavi being proposed by Vice Premier Shimon Peres and a senior military source indicated the IDF was likely to accept one of these.

Speaking to *The Jerusalem Post* last night, an aide to Rabin said the minister still stood behind the proposal he and Finance Minister Moshe Nissim had presented to the cabinet: that the Lavi project be halted and the money invested instead in the development of weapons systems the IDF wants.

Rabin is aware of Peres's ideas: The two met several times last week and conferred over the phone. However, an aide to Rabin said that at the moment there was only "an idea, and you can't examine an idea. You can only examine a proposal."

Questioned about Peres's idea that Israel abandon production of the Lavi and start developing its successor, a senior military source said last night: "It's too early."

"The IDF still has no clear idea of what it will need after the year 2000," the source said.

"In developing a weapons system, the IDF first defines the need, then outlines the system, establishes a project and goes on to implement it."

"At the moment, when many needs that are clear to the army cannot be attended to for lack of funds, it is unreasonable to develop a plane designed to meet a need as yet unclear and undefined," the source said.

The source said the IDF might welcome a proposal for co-production of the successor to the F-16. If such an idea is raised the IDF will determine if it needs planes of the type proposed for co-

production, and if it does need them, it may accept the idea.

For the next decade, however, "we don't need anything different than what is already being produced, and it's a waste to invest money in building here what we can get off the shelf in the U.S.," the source said.

When something can be obtained off the shelf it is illogical to insist on local production, which costs more and means later delivery.

"We should invest resources only in items we know we cannot obtain in the U.S.," the source said. "Such items do exist, but there is not enough money for them."

Another military source said local production of the F-16 might make sense if Israel required 30 to 400 more such planes. However, the investment in infrastructure would make production of a much smaller number far more costly.

Oil prices plunge

NEW YORK. — Oil prices plummeted again on Friday, closing out a week of heavy losses with crude futures contracts crashing below the \$19 barrier to their lowest level in more than three months.

Analysts attribute the plunge mainly to market gloom over reports that members of the Organization of Petroleum Exporting Countries (Opec) have increased their production to levels the world's consuming countries cannot absorb.

"There's no indication we're going to be seeing any cutbacks by Opec, and the market is losing some confidence here," said Andrew Lebow, an analyst at the Shearson Lehman Brothers Inc. securities firm.

On the New York mercantile exchange, contracts for October delivery of West Texas Intermediate (WTI), the benchmark U.S. crude, settled at \$18.90 per 42-gallon barrel.

North Sea Brent, the most widely traded international crude, was quoted 20 cents lower than Thursday at about \$18.10 a barrel towards the European close. It has fallen \$1.40 a barrel in a week.

From Cairo it is reported that Egypt has decided to lower its crude oil export prices by \$1.25 a barrel for all blends. (AP, Reuters)

Demjanjuk witness returns to U.S. after suicide bid

By ERNIE MEYER, ANDY COURT
and JUDY SIEGEL

Anita Pritchard, who testified for the defence in the Demjanjuk trial last week, was released from Jerusalem's Bikur Holim Hospital Friday afternoon after receiving treatment following a suicide attempt Thursday evening. She flew back to the U.S. yesterday.

In two days of cross-examination last week, Pritchard, a psychologist and expert on photo-montage, saw her testimony crumble under the relentless questioning of prosecutor Michael Shaked.

Dr. Shmuel Banai, the doctor in charge of the Bikur Holim hospital emergency room on Thursday night, said that Pritchard had been brought to the hospital after swallowing over 50 pills, mostly pain-killers and tranquilizers and having slit her wrists.

"She said she didn't want to live," Banai said. "She didn't want us to help her. She pulled out the intravenous tubes that we put in."

Hospital doctors nonetheless pumped her stomach and treated her cuts, Banai said. When she was released Friday evening she was still very weak.

Awaiting her flight home yesterday morning, Pritchard told an Israeli Radio reporter that testifying at the Demjanjuk trial had been "a nightmare," but she believed she had "now recovered."

Pritchard had written letters to her husband, her mother, and the Demjanjuk defence lawyers before the suicide attempt, Banai said. The letters were forwarded by emergency room staff to the administrator of Bikur Holim Hospital, he reported.



Anita Pritchard leaving Jerusalem's Bikur Holim hospital on Friday. (Isaac Harari)

The suicide attempt was discovered about 8 p.m. Thursday. Defence attorney Yoram Shefiel reportedly found Pritchard in bed in her room at the American Colony Hotel in East Jerusalem, where most of the people connected with the defence in the Demjanjuk case are staying. A box of empty pill vials — apparently of an anti-rheumatism drug was on her bedside table.

"I did a stupid thing," Pritchard was reported to have said at the time.

An intensive-care Magen David (Continued on Back Page)

'Nuclear warhead for Jericho'

Jerusalem Post Correspondent LONDON. — Israel is developing a nuclear warhead for the Jericho missile, according to intelligence sources in Washington, quoted in today's *Observer*.

The development is reported as being carried out by "computer simulation," a technique which obviates the need to detonate a test weapon. The computers calculate the characteristics of nuclear explosion, the report says.

Israel's nuclear scientists have thus been able to keep the programme secret, the newspaper reported.

The range of the Jericho is reported to be 900 miles, meaning that once the warhead is developed Israel would be able to launch a nuclear strike on Arab capitals including Baghdad from its own territory, the newspaper says.

Islamic Jihad threatens to 'mistreat' hostages

BEIRUT. — The clandestine Islamic Jihad (Holy War) group, warning that one of its French Captives is seriously ill, has threatened to mistreat all five hostages it holds in Lebanon.

The pro-Iranian group, which holds three Frenchmen and two Americans, issued a 15-day ultimatum to Kuwait, demanding information about 17 Arab prisoners the group wants freed in exchange for the hostages.

The U.S. and France were responsible for the fate of the five Lebanese hostages, the group said in a typewritten statement, delivered to an international news agency on Friday night. "One of the French hostages is gravely sick and we assert that if they (hostages) are in danger, then the responsibility falls entirely on the big Satan, America, and its tool, France."

It did not say which of the hostages was ill.

The group holds French journalist Jean-Paul Kaufmann, diplomats Marcel Carton and Marcel Fontaine and Americans Terry Anderson, an A.P. journalist, and Thomas Sutherland, a Beirut university dean.

They are among 28 foreigners missing, believed kidnapped, in Lebanon.

The Beirut weekly *Ash-Shiraa* said yesterday that British church envoy Terry Waite will be freed soon in exchange for \$5m.

Senior Lebanese militia sources also said that a deal for Waite was under discussion.

Ash-Shiraa, which broke the news of U.S.-Iranian arms-for-hostage dealings last November, quoted reliable sources in Moslem West Beirut in reporting the deal for Waite. (Continued on Back Page)

After massacre

British TV scraps violence

LONDON (Reuters). — British television stations have cancelled programmes depicting violence from their schedules two days after a gunman killed a total of 16 people in a shooting rampage.

The BBC, which runs two of the country's four main channels, said a Canadian film, "Black Christmas," due to have been screened on Friday night, about a psychopath slaying girl students, had been replaced by a home-produced comedy.

A BBC spokesman said there were also no plans to repeat the U.S. film "Rambo, First Blood," which started a craze about a fictitious character. (Continued on Back Page)

Robbery suspect forced to stay at the Waldorf

By DAVID HOROVITZ

Jerusalem Post Correspondent LONDON. — To the accompaniment of considerable merriment at London's Horseferry Road Magistrates' Court on Friday, Israeli investor Eliahu Efrati, charged with handling goods stolen in Britain's biggest robbery, was ordered by the court to reside at the \$140-a-night Waldorf Hotel until his case is brought to trial.

Efrati, a stocky, greying 42-year-old who police allege handled some \$4.8 million worth of jewelry stolen in last month's Knightsbridge Safety Deposit Centre raid, was about the only person in court not joining in the laughter.

He sat glumly in the dock as the prosecution told the magistrate, Sir Bryan Roberts, that there was no objection to bail, providing that Efrati surrendered his passport, raised a substantial surety and pro-

vided an address at which he would stay in London until the trial.

Tony Blok, defending, said that his client had suggested the plush Waldorf Hotel as his prospective address.

"Is Mr. Efrati on legal aid?" asked the magistrate. "Well, a request for legal aid was made by his previous lawyer," replied Blok.

"Are we to be told that state legal aid, paid for by the taxpayer, has been granted to a man applying for bail so that he can live at the Waldorf Hotel?" retorted the magistrate.

"Well, legal aid has not yet been granted," said Blok. "Efrati has no income in the UK... so he is applied..."

By now the magistrate was beginning to enjoy himself: "If he has no income, it would be a rather hazardous enterprise for the Waldorf to accept him as a guest, especially as

he is facing charges of handling £3m. worth of stolen diamonds. If he has no money, the court cannot order him to stay at the Waldorf."

Blok explained that Efrati's Israeli lawyer, Shai Pines, has now arrived in the country and that he is staying at the Waldorf.

"That's a rather cosy arrangement," interjected the magistrate.

Blok said that Pines would pay Efrati's bill at the Waldorf, and that money would be raised from Israeli or local sources to pay bail.

"Well, I suppose with £3m. of stolen diamonds floating around, it shouldn't be too difficult to pay bail," quipped the magistrate.

He ordered Efrati to put up £25,000 bail — money which is expected to be raised today — to surrender his passport, and to stay at the Waldorf, a lavish 1908 hotel which advertises its perfect location for "business in the city... and as a

starting point to explore the total experience of the greatest city — London."

Another Israeli, Israel Pinkas, charged with taking part in the robbery, which netted an estimated £40m., was remanded into custody until next week. He did not appear in court.

Police believe that they will be able to recover at least half of the money and valuables stolen, and are "concentrating inquiries on Italy, Israel and Switzerland," according to a spokesman.

Efrati is alleged by police to have been arrested while in the process of negotiating for the transfer to Israel of stolen diamonds he was handling.

British police have asked Israel for permission to send detectives to investigate the possibility that proceeds from the robbery have been transferred to Israel.

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COPENHAGEN	15-22	12	25	Clear
FRANKFURT	17-24	14	27	Clear
GENEVA	16-23	13	26	Clear
HELSINKI	12-19	9	22	Cloudy
HONGKONG	27-31	24	34	Cloudy
JOHANNESBURG	19-28	16	31	Clear
LONDON	18-25	15	28	Clear
MADRID	22-28	19	31	Clear
MONTREAL	17-24	14	27	Clear
NEW YORK	18-25	15	28	Clear
OSLO	10-17	7	20	Cloudy
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RUDESKIRCH	13-20	10	23	Cloudy
SAO PAULO	18-25	15	28	Clear
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Jerusalem	16-27	17-27	27
Golan	16-20	17-20	20
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Safed	16-20	17-20	20
Haifa Port	16-20	17-20	20
Tiberias	16-20	17-20	20
Nazareth	16-20	17-20	20
Afula	16-20	17-20	20
Shimon	16-20	17-20	20
Tel Aviv	16-20	17-20	20
B-G Airport	16-20	17-20	20
Jericho	16-20	17-20	20
Gaza	16-20	17-20	20
Beersheba	16-20	17-20	20
Eilat	16-20	17-20	20

Contras agree to peace talks

SAN SALVADOR (AP). — Contra rebel leaders have formally accepted a proposal by El Salvador's president, Jose Napoleon Duarte, that rebels in Nicaragua and El Salvador hold simultaneous peace talks with the governments they're fighting.

"We state our political goodwill to begin discussions directly with (Nicaragua's Leftist) Sandinista regime that could lead to a cease-fire," Azucena Ferrey, a member of the Contra directorate said in a prepared statement on Friday. She read the statement standing on the front steps of the presidential palace here, after the six-member directorate had met with Duarte for five hours.

However, another Contras' spokesman said that they would not lay down their arms until Nicaragua is on an "irreversible path to democracy."

Duarte said his proposal was part of a peace plan approved at a summit in Guatemala City on August 7 by the presidents of the five Central American nations.

The peace plan — for Central America — calls for cease-fires, negotiations, amnesties, democratization of the Central American countries and an end to logistical and military support for rebel forces.

RAF plotted to kidnap Hitler in '41

Jerusalem Post Correspondent LONDON. — The Royal Air Force planned to kidnap Adolf Hitler in 1941 after British intelligence agents suggested his personal pilot was ready to defect, it is reported here today.

The Sunday Times, in a story based on declassified RAF documents, reports that for three months in 1941 the RAF, backed by the Foreign Office, put staff at Lympne Airfield, near Folkestone, on secret stand-by to wait for Lieut.-Gen. Hans Baur, the pilot, to land with Hitler.

The RAF took the plan so seriously that it even had a Ford touring car ready to take Hitler to the Air Ministry in London.

The documents apparently do not explain why the Fuehrer never turned up, but historians assert that there was never any prospect of Baur, a loyal Nazi, betraying Hitler. The special arrangements at Lympne were finally discontinued amid much disappointment on June 1, 1941.

Shamir to report on Romania visit

Prime Minister Shamir will report to the cabinet today on his talks with Romanian President Nicolae Ceaucescu in Bucharest last week.

On Friday, Shamir thanked Ceaucescu and Prime Minister Constantine Deskelescu, for the warm hospitality they had extended to him and his wife Shulamit during their visit to Romania.

Shamir expressed confidence in his message to Ceaucescu that the talks "will be of benefit to our quest for peace in the region."

Shamir wrote to Deskelescu: "I am confident that as a result of these discussions the ties between our two countries will be strengthened and deepened in the areas of economic cooperation, trade and tourism." (See "Exercise in Image Building," p.8)

HOME AND FOREIGN NEWS



About 100 neo-Nazi sympathizers pay tribute to Rudolf Hess at a ceremony in Pretoria

Pretoria service for Hess results in warning to Jews

JOHANNESBURG (AFP). — The leader of South Africa's neo-fascist Afrikaner resistance movement, the AFB, warned Jewish groups yesterday that "intolerance" could cause them trouble after they protested about a memorial service for Nazi war criminal Rudolf Hess.

The service took place in Pretoria on Thursday, when Nazi supporters gathered before a swastika flag at a memorial stone honouring German dead from World War I. They laid wreaths in front of a photograph of Hess and gave Nazi salutes.

The service aroused the anger of leaders of South Africa's 120,000 Jews and of leading Afrikaners. Michael Katz, president of the South African Jewish Board of Deputies, said the Jewish community was appalled at the insensitivity of the Hess mourners.

The chairman of the South African Zionist Federation Youth Council, Natie Shevel, said: "I am outraged and

disgusted at this open and blatant display of Nazism in our back yard."

The AFB leader, Eugene Terreblanche, said in an interview that he found the objections strange. He noted that South African Foreign Minister Roelof Botha "honoured the communist (former Mozambican president) Samora Machel after his death. If people now say the AFB is a Nazi organization, does that mean that Botha is a communist?"

A spokesman for the AFB said the service had been held because Hess was seen as a martyr for the German nation. He denied the group was Nazi, and said the ceremony was organized by a section of the German community in Pretoria.

"Rudolf Hess left Germany in 1941 to arrange for peace and was locked up for the rest of his life for his trouble."

Health minister calls on MDA to educate staff on Aids cases

By JUDY SIEGEL and JONATHAN KARP

Health Minister Shoshana Arbeli-Almosino ordered Magen David Adom on Friday to take all the measures necessary to protect ambulance drivers and attendants from contracting Aids from patients to whom they administer first aid.

The instructions followed a statement issued by MDA staffers that they would not transfer Aids patients to hospitals in ambulances until they had been properly instructed on how to avoid contamination by the virus and given protective equipment.

But an MDA spokesman said that the workers had already been carefully briefed on how to avoid contamination by Aids, and that every ambulance had the equipment, including disposable gloves, necessary to treat and transport Aids patients. He maintained that the MDA workers' statement was part of a campaign to gain an increase, which they were calling an "Aids increment," in their admittedly low salaries.

The ministry did not rule out the

possibility that the workers' demands were just an "excuse" for a wage increase, but noted that "if some staffers say they are afraid of Aids and don't know what to do about it, then they should be taught."

An MDA spokesman said last night that he believed the threat by staff was "hollow," but added that any MDA worker who carried it out would be fired. "There's no place in the MDA for a man who refuses to treat any patient."

The health minister said MDA should emulate the country's hospitals and community clinics by teaching staffers how to avoid contracting the fatal immune-deficiency disease. The ministry, in its announcement, noted that so far not a single health-care worker in Israel has contracted Aids from a patient. Such transmission of the disease can be prevented by using proper equipment and following guidelines, it said.

The minister asked her steering committee on Aids to investigate the complaints by the ambulance staffers and to determine whether there

was any equipment used abroad that should be made available here.

Arbeli-Almosino said refusal to treat or transport an Aids patient would be a serious violation of the law.

At a press conference at Ramban Hospital in Haifa last week, the health minister revealed that 237 Israeli residents carry Aids antibodies, up from 217 last month. Of these 73 are homosexuals or bisexuals and five are prostitutes suffering from drug addiction.

In Tel Aviv, the municipality has allocated NIS 300,000 to establish a mobile Aids testing clinic.

The van is expected to begin operating within two months, city spokesman Benny Cohen said. It will be staffed by two doctors, an adviser, a nurse and a social worker, and will offer Aids-testing free.

In the first stage, Cohen said, the mobile clinic will operate three times a week in those parts of the city with high-risk populations, such as Tel Aviv beach, which is frequented by prostitutes, and in areas near drug-treatment centres.

Envoy refuses to meet Kahane

HADERA (Itim). — Mohammed Musrawa, due to take up his post this week as Israeli consul in Atlanta, refused to meet in his office here on Friday with Kach MK Meir Kahane.

Kahane left a written message saying that Musrawa should decline the post because he is anti-Zionist, opposes the law of return and the unification of Jerusalem, and therefore cannot represent the State of Israel.

Kahane threatened to organize daily events to disrupt Musrawa's work in Atlanta and added, "We will meet in the U.S."

Musrawa said he was not concerned about the threats, but that he would be more careful than usual in the wake of Kahane's statements.

Palestinian pilot downed over Chad

DAMASCUS (Reuters). — A Palestinian pilot was killed last week when the Libyan fighter plane he was flying was shot down over Chad, a pro-Syrian terror group announced here on Friday.

Libya has trained dozens of Palestinian pilots and, according to diplomats, they form the backbone of the Libyan air force.

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While dozens of women, many with small children in tow, stood on the fringes of the gathering, the men divided into their separate minyanim, prayed by the light given off by the shopwindows at one end of the mall. At the other, 250 metres away, the Little Drummer café-pub, one of three that were open Friday night, music played for its guests at tables outdoors. From the Prego restaurant the faint smell of roasting ham wafted.

For well over an hour the prayers continued in an orderly manner. Just when it looked as if the demonstration would end peacefully, however, the flash of a camera of a passing tourist aroused the ire of the worshippers, who in turn turned on newsmen who had been standing nearby.

Tempers were fanned by children screaming "Shabbos" at passing

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"desecrators" and the sight of the rolling cameras and recorders.

Others shouted "Shabbos" at people sitting outside the Kapuskis café, where a table was overturned and broken on the sidewalk.

The scuffle was over by the time half a dozen policemen arrived and ordered the worshippers to disperse, which they did, trading derogatory remarks regarding each others' "Jewishness" with the injured newsmen.

The police later announced they would try to identify and prosecute the ultra-Orthodox men responsible for the violence.

Haifa Mayor Arye Gurel strongly condemned the Friday night disturbances and attacks on members of the press. He expressed hope that the police would identify the violators quickly and bring them to justice.

"This sort of thing is an exception

in Haifa," he said, adding that he had asked police to make certain that the demonstrators were not residents from elsewhere who had come to Haifa specially to stir up trouble.

He said he felt sure Haifa's Orthodox community would also condemn the unruly behaviour.

Yesterday, two cruise ships docked in Haifa port, with several hundred two-day tourists. Meanwhile, cafes in the mall were open as usual yesterday.

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entrance of the city to greet busloads and carloads of ultra-orthodox people who were coming to Jerusalem to spend Shabbat in the city.

The move was intended to counter Kollel's visit to the city entrance a week ago, when he drew attention to the number of young people leaving the city on Friday night for places that offered more entertainment.

Agudat Yisrael's show of strength is expected to come on Monday evening, during a massive prayer assembly at the Western Wall.

The centre of secular activity Friday night was the area outside of the Beit Agon cinema. When Kollel's car passed through the crowd, some young people banged on it, and

Amnesty to monitor Vanunu trial

DAVID HOROVITZ
Jerusalem Post Correspondent LONDON. — Amnesty International, the human rights group, will be sending an observer to Israel to cover the trial of Mordechai Vanunu despite official Israeli objections.

Amnesty has written to the attorney-general several times in recent months requesting permission for its observer to attend the trial, but this has been refused.

However, Amnesty decided yesterday that Dutch lawyer Menno Kamminga will fly to Israel on August 29 in any event to prepare a report on the manner in which the trial is conducted.

Meanwhile, Meir Vanunu, the jailed nuclear technician's brother,

who has been campaigning on his behalf, said last night he would not return to Israel in the foreseeable future.

"I have no desire to set foot in Israel for many, many years," he told The Jerusalem Post last night.

He is to fly to Paris later in the week, to meet with the Council for the Defence, a group set up on Mordechai Vanunu's behalf by French politicians and academics.

He will also travel to Italy, where he is expected to meet with Dr. Dominica Sica, the Italian magistrate heading the inquiry into the manner of Mordechai's departure from Italy last year.

According to Meir Vanunu, his brother was lured from London to

Rome by a female Mossad agent, drugged in a Rome apartment, and taken back to Israel in a cargo ship.

Sica is reported to be investigating whether the ship involved was the Zim-owned Tapuz, an Israeli vessel which sailed from La Spezia last October 4, reportedly giving a false destination of Marseilles. The Tapuz docked at Ashdod on October 9.

According to reports published here, Sica is also investigating whether a van hired by an Israeli Embassy official in Rome was used to take Vanunu from the apartment to the port. The light-coloured van was returned to the hire company with 900 kilometres on the clock; the Rome-La Spezia return journey is some 850 kms.

Truck-and-tractor demonstration over financial plight

Farmers to protest on highways

By YOEL DAR
For The Jerusalem Post NAHARIYA. — Farmers from kibbutzim and other settlements in Galilee, the Golan Heights and the Jordan Valley plan to block major highways in the north today in protest against the government's refusal to ease their financial plight.

Following a decision by six of the seven regional councils in the north last week, farmers will park trucks, tractors and other heavy farm equipment at 6.30 a.m. today at various northern junctions, including one on the road from Nahariya to Lebanon, and one on the highway joining lower Galilee with Afula, Nazareth and the coastal road.

"Our aim is not to disrupt traffic, but to protest against the indifference of the government, the Jewish Agency and the Knesset," said one of the participants at an emergency meeting of the Lower Galilee Regional Council last week. The council urged the government to give the northern farmers \$150 million to cover deficits, pay bank debts and finance more agriculture.

The councilors threatened further action if the government did not give in to their demands.

The police will be on alert today to keep the protest from getting out of hand. Senior police officers said they would not intervene if the protest was orderly, but they would use force if the demonstrators disrupted the highways for "a long time."

The Ma'ale Yosef Regional Council had decided not to take part in

today's protest. Mayor Ya'acov Ya'acov said: "Such acts will punish only innocent drivers, but have no influence on the government."

The council has informed Prime Minister Shamir that if the government does not give northern farmers \$50m., some 3,000 families in the region would leave their settlements and camp out in Jerusalem until the funds were provided.

In another development, mayors of development towns in the north at a meeting in Ma'alot on Friday, asked the government to give them more money for development to stop local families from leaving the region. Over the last year, they said, some 2,500 residents had left, mainly for the central part of the country.



Israeli youth returning from the 'Special Olympics' in South Bend, Indiana, where they earned three gold medals, three silver and three bronze.

Parents of 10 die in collision

HADERA (Itim). — The parents of 10 children and the husband's mother, who were killed in a car accident at Ramat Hasharon on Friday, will be buried at the old cemetery here today.

Mahfuf Buzaglo, 53, his wife Sara, 57, and his mother Miriam, 75, were killed when their van was hit in a collision with a truck at the Morasha junction.

Your people were seriously injured.

On Friday, a seven-year-old girl was killed near here while trying to cross the Haifa-Tel Aviv coastal highway. The driver of the car that hit her was arrested.

Jordan's P.M. in talks in Damascus

DAMASCUS (Reuters). — Jordan's prime minister, Zeid al-Rifa'i, flew here yesterday and went straight into private talks with Syrian Prime Minister Abul-Rauf al-Kasbi as part of an effort to reconcile Syria and Iraq and end the Gulf war.

[Israeli experts said yesterday that the Jordanian prime minister was also discussing the Yarmuk river problem during his talks in Damascus. Al-Rifa'i, the experts say, has tried to persuade the Syrians to stop their Yarmuk project, which will divert up to 90 per cent of the Yarmuk waters, and to join the Jordanians in a project to share the waters in a more equitable way.]

Rifa'i's visit followed four days of talks in Damascus last week between President Hafez al-Assad and United Arab Emirates (UAE) President Sheikh Zaid bin Sultan al-Nahayan, who joined forces with Jordan and Saudi Arabia to improve inter-Arab ties.

Rifa'i saw Assad yesterday afternoon following his talks with al-Kasbi, Jordanian sources said.

Wanted Jordanian slips out of Italy

GENOA (Reuters). — A Jordanian student suspected of involvement in a Middle East terror group has left Italy for the Middle East, police said yesterday.

Awani Hindawi, 26, was arrested in Genoa in June last year on charges of belonging to a Middle East terror group. He was freed in March for lack of evidence but told to stay in the city.

Hindawi is a cousin of two men convicted of terror activities, in London and West Berlin, last year.

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Pontiff praised for statement on Jewish suffering

Pope grants audience to U.S. Jewish leaders

By WALTER RUBY
Jerusalem Post Correspondent
and Agencies

NEW YORK. — Pope John Paul II has agreed to meet with American Jewish leaders at his summer home in Italy on September 1 in a session that should help ease tension in advance of his visit to the U.S.

And, in a related development, American Jewish leaders have praised the pope for addressing the question of Jewish suffering in a statement released by the National Conference of Catholic Bishops last week. The pope also praised the Jewish people and said he would encourage and bless all who "foster relationships of mutual esteem and friendship" with them.

He referred to the Jews as "our older brothers in the faith of Abraham."

The pontiff said Christians "approach with immense respect the terrifying experience" of the World War II Holocaust in which six million Jews were killed.

"Before the vivid memory of the extermination, as recounted to us by the survivors and by all Jews now living... it is not permissible for anyone to pass by with indifference."

"There is no doubt that the sufferings endured by the Jews are also for the Catholic Church a motive of sincere sorrow, especially when one thinks of the indifference and sometimes resentment which, in particular historical circumstances, have divided Jews and Christians," the pope said.

The statement, and the warm response, seemed to smooth the way for a fruitful meeting between the pope and a delegation from the International Jewish Committee on Inter-Religious Consultations (IJCIC).

Rabbi Marc Tanenbaum, director of international relations for the American Jewish Committee, said the planned 90-minute meeting in

Italy would provide "an unprecedented opportunity to clear the air."

He said he expects the meeting to help defuse tensions between the Jewish community and the Vatican caused by the pontiff's meeting in June with Austrian President Kurt Waldheim.

Jewish groups had expressed anger about the pope's reception of Waldheim, who has denied accusations of participation in Nazi war crimes. The groups also objected to the fact that the pope made no reference to the Holocaust in his speech after the meeting.

Tanenbaum added that the pontiff's agreement to meet with the U.S. Jewish leaders "was an authentic gesture of good faith on the part of the pope, and we intend to respond in kind."

Russel Shaw, a spokesman for the Bishops' Conference, said the pope's statement was "intended to contribute further to correcting the misperceptions and clarifying the confusion arising from the Waldheim controversy; and looking in the other direction, trying to set the stage and help set a cordial atmosphere for the meeting with the IJCIC group."

Rabbi Gilbert Klaperman, president of the Synagogue Council of America, said he hopes the statement indicates that "the Vatican is on the verge of confronting directly the full implications" of efforts over the centuries, often condoned by the Church, to "kill the Jews."

Elan Steinberg, executive director of the World Jewish Congress, which has often criticized the Vatican's relationship with world Jewry, said that the statement "places a discussion of Waldheim and the Holocaust in the proper context."

Noting that the WJC has been concerned that the Vatican has sought to "de-Judaize" the Holocaust, Steinberg

added: "The pope's statement represents the first positive development arising from the Waldheim scandal. The pope has clarified in a much more forceful manner the centrality of the Jewish experience of suffering during the Holocaust."

Nobel Peace prize laureate Elie Wiesel told the *New York Times*: "I think it is gratifying to learn that the pope now begins to realize the uniqueness of the Jewish experience and suffering during the Holocaust. This has been a point of contention for many years."

Wiesel was due to meet the pope himself this week, but that meeting has now been postponed because of the newly-scheduled meeting with the American Jewish leaders.

Meanwhile, Jewish leaders continued to debate who should comprise the delegation to Rome. As many as nine American Jewish leaders are said to be seeking to join the delegation, but the Vatican has asked that the group be kept to "no more than five." One source has suggested that a possible solution would be to create a two-tier Jewish delegation: a 10-member group could attend a meeting already scheduled for August 31 with Vatican Secretary of State Cardinal Agostino Casaroli and Cardinal Johannes Willebrands, while the main delegation, of three to five people could meet with the pope at Castel Gandolfo, his summer home, the next day.

The Zionist Organization of America on Thursday criticized the IJCIC for not including an official Zionist group in its delegation. "The conference of Jewish leaders with the pope... excludes Zionist representation and is therefore not representative of the total Jewish community," said ZOA President Milton Shapiro. He stated that this would "send a wrong message to the pope, the Jewish community and the world at large."

Joan Collins's alimony fight reveals life of super-luxury

By TOM TUGEND
Jerusalem Post Correspondent

LOS ANGELES. — Joan Collins, the 54-year-old glamour girl of *Dynasty*, and her fourth husband, Peter Holm, are preparing for round two of their court drama, which revolves around a typical domestic disagreement, Hollywood style.

Does a 13-month marriage to a superstar, so the question goes, entitle the man to \$80,000 a month in support payments?

The 40-year-old Holm, a one-time Swedish pop singer, maintains he needs every penny of that sum to maintain the lifestyle to which his short-lived marriage quickly accustomed him.

Collins, daughter of a Jewish father and Christian mother, says she already paid Holm some \$1.2 million during their brief marriage, and that enough is enough.

Whatever the outcome, the drawn-out legal proceedings have already provided a few glimpses of life among the rich and famous.

In court documents filed by Holm, reports the *Los Angeles Times*, the aggrieved spouse spelled out in considerable detail the rewards of the good life.

From the time of the flight to Las Vegas by private plane to pledge their troth in November 1985, until Collins's petition for annulment in December 1986, the couple enjoyed, and paid for, some of the costlier amenities of life.

During an extended jet-setting honeymoon covering Los Angeles, London and Paris the newlyweds kept a six-room suite at the Ritz in Paris for three months. The bill: \$200,000.

For dining out four or five times a week they favoured such spots as Annabel's and the Connaught in London and the Bistrot Gardens and Chasen's in Los Angeles. Average cost per meal for each of the two: \$100.

When not otherwise engaged during their London stay the happy couple exchanged pleasantries at Ascot with Queen Elizabeth, Prince Charles and Princess Diana.

For shopping expeditions to Paris, Rome, Milan and St. Tropez, the Holms generally travelled by private plane. They frequently arrived at airports with more than 40 pieces of luggage, which might include computers, video players, a large-screen television, and occasionally a fully-equipped gym.

Pete was a sharp dresser and, "to enhance my wife's and my public image," he invested around \$20,000 a month in his wardrobe and accessories. He was particularly fond of \$2,000 leather jackets, silk shirts and ties, \$400 crocodile shoes, and expensive watches and jewelry. During the 13-month marriage, Holm estimates, he and his wife spent \$600,000 on clothing.

The couple also bought two "romantic little hideaways," one for her and one for him, at Port Rimaud on France's southern coast, with a 38-foot yacht thrown in for good measure. They commuted from their hideaways to Nice by private helicopter, cutting 15 minutes from the usual driving time.

Furthermore, good friends in Acapulco and Hawaii turned over their luxurious mansions to Collins and Holm when the fun couple visited.

With all of Collins's multi-million dollar possessions, she and Holm have had some of their most acrimonious exchanges in disputing ownership of a short-legged ironing board and steam iron, an electric stapler, a kitchen stepladder and a metal tool-box.

Court hearings were to have resumed last Tuesday, but to the disappointment of many people, have been postponed until October 7.

PICK OF THE WEEK



Russian Orthodox Patriarch Pimen (left) greets Patriarch Dimitrios of Constantinople, head of the Greek Orthodox Church, at the start of their meeting in Moscow on Friday. This is the first visit to Russia by a patriarch of Constantinople since the Orthodox schism of 1589. (AFP)



Moslem and Christian Lebanese hold hands on Thursday at the Green Line dividing Beirut into two in a move to reunite the war-torn capital symbolically. (Reuters)



John Reynolds prays with his children after a friend was killed in the shooting spree by Michael Ryan in Hungerford, England. The gunman shot 28 people before turning his gun on himself. (Reuters)



Striking miners give clenched-fist salutes as they are bused out of Vaal Reefs gold mine west of Johannesburg on Thursday after deciding to leave the mine and lose their jobs rather than bow to a management ultimatum to return to work. (Reuters)

'S.A. police torture children'

GENEVA (Reuters). — South African police engage in widespread torture of black children and have little reason to fear disciplinary action from the courts, the International Commission of Jurists (ICJ) said in a report published at the end of last week.

"In police stations and prisons, physical abuse of children, including torture, is widespread," said the report, written after a three-week ICJ mission by four lawyers to South Africa in February.

"Beatings and assaults with sjamboks (heavy whips) are commonly reported and we saw photographs of children bearing scars evidently the result of violent attacks," the report says. It adds: "The police have virtually unlimited powers to arrest and detain and have little to fear from the courts. There is little evidence of disciplinary action taken against the police in cases where they have been manifestly guilty of gross abuses."

The 20-page report said the human rights record of the four independent homelands (Transkei, Ciskei, Venda

and Bophuthatswana) was even worse than that of South Africa proper.

"Two members of the mission saw children in Ciskei who bore marks of torture eight months after police interrogation. They said the police had whipped them with metal-tipped sjamboks and with strips of rolled wire, as well as scalding them with boiling water and burning plastic. The children complained they had been denied medical treatment."

The report says that the ICJ mission had evidence that political dissent in the four homelands was harshly suppressed and that detainees, including children, were "brutally tortured by a police force which closely collaborates with, or is supervised by, the South African security forces."

The ICJ, a non-governmental organization examining observance of human rights worldwide, is represented in more than 60 countries. Founded in Geneva 15 years ago, it has consultative status with the UN. This was its first mission to South Africa since the mid-1960s.

Jacob Shreiber, an international businessman who was a generous benefactor

Jacob Shreiber, who died in London on August 15, had widespread international business interests and maintained a strong attachment to Israel. He was born in Hamburg in 1926, and grew up in Haifa, where he was buried.

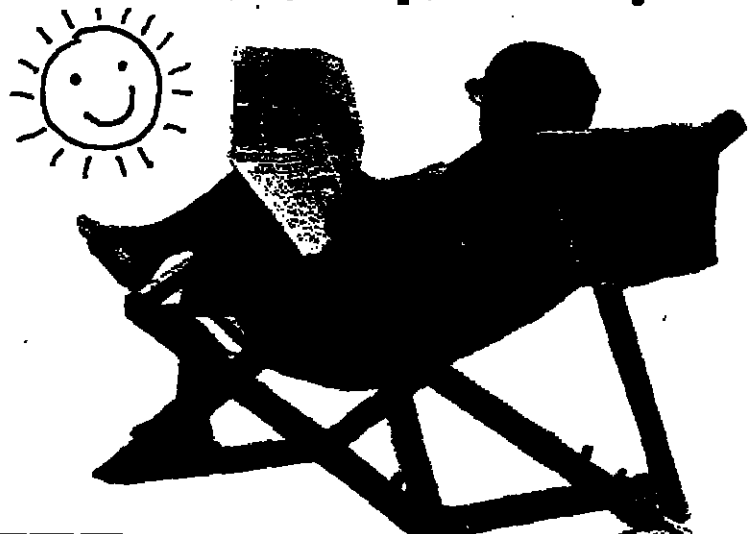
The Shreiber family were contri-

butors to Israeli institutions — the Rambam Medical Centre in Haifa, Tel Aviv University, the Sephardi Elderly Residents Home, also in Haifa, orphanages and other charitable institutions all benefited from their generosity.

Many came to pay their last re-

spects to Jacob Shreiber last Monday at the Rambam Medical Centre, from where the funeral cortege set out. The director of the centre, Dr. Ya'acov Revah, delivered a eulogy there. Others were given at the cemetery by Haifa Chief Rabbi Bakshi Doron and She'ar Yashuv Cohen, Energy Minister Moshe Shahal and Haifa Mayor Arye Gurel. Among those at the funeral were Minister-without-Portfolio Yitzhak Moda'i, Tel Aviv Mayor Shlomo Lahat, industrial and business leaders and representatives of institutions which have benefited from the Shreiber family's largesse. Jacob Shreiber leaves behind his wife Shoshana, a son and two daughters. A.B.

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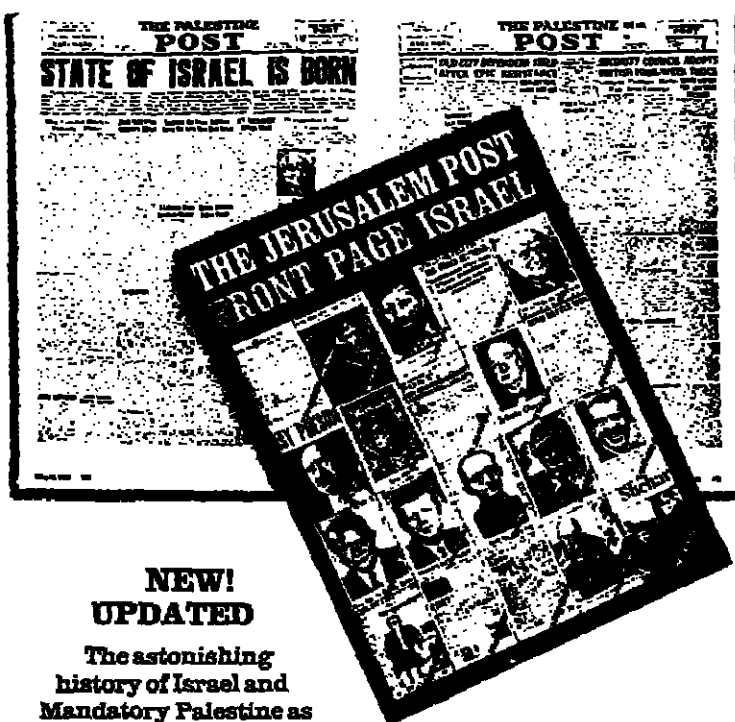
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The surfacing of the 'survivors' syndrome

Overprotectiveness, hypochondria, aggressiveness, lack of identity — these are just a few of the delayed effects of the Holocaust felt among its elderly survivors, Leah Abramowitz reports.

WHILE THE Jewish experience during World War II has for years remained a subject of most serious scrutiny, with numerous books, films and various publications about it continuing to appear, certain aspects of the Holocaust have only recently come to light.

This fact emerged at a recent seminar entitled, "Effects of the Holocaust on the Aging Population," organized for professionals working with the elderly by Jerusalem's Shalom Zedek Geriatric Institute and Emunah College. Speaker after speaker surveyed the latent effects of incarceration in concentration camps and what they called "survivors' syndrome," whereby the delayed effects of Holocaust trauma surface only decades later.

Dr. Henry Shor, a senior psychiatrist at Shalvata Hospital, explained to the audience how patients he had treated for severe depression, apathy or psychoses were actually reacting to World War II experiences which they had managed to repress all these years.

During the war, Shor said, these people had used all their physical

and emotional strength to deal with emergencies at hand — "even mourning was a luxury that no one could afford at the time if he wanted to survive."

After the war, while rebuilding their broken lives, many of these people became "workaholics," escaping into their jobs to flee from the past. They married or remarried, raised children — and tried to forget.

The price of such repression is high, according to Dr. Tikva Natan of Haifa University, who spoke of how survivors tended to "deaden" their feelings. Because of this phenomenon, she said, normal parent-child relationships became an impossibility. The survivors were either protective, fearful, smothering parents with unusually high expectations or, on the other hand, withdrawn, unresponsive and overly harsh.

Dr. Julius Elzas, a former camp inmate and the medical consultant for the Dutch embassy in charge of repatriation claims, spoke about the guilt Holocaust survivors often harbor for decades: "They try to push off the thought 'Why did I remain

alive when so many better than I died?' They inevitably feel they saved themselves by the death of others — and there are cases where this is indeed true."

Furthermore, as the Feinstein Institute's Dr. Betty Brodsky remarked, such people "have a need to punish themselves," and cannot to this day allow themselves to enjoy life or take part in happy events.

MEMORIES of years past become most vivid later in life, and for elderly Holocaust survivors who begin to relive their war horrors, bringing back long-repressed memories often leads to physical and mental breakdowns, self-imposed social isolation or even — as in the case of Italian Jewish author Primo Levi, suicide.

"The survivors are very hardened individuals," Dr. Shor said, "and only the toughest made it through the war." They are by nature uncommunicative and distrustful and thus difficult to treat. In addition, he noted, as life goes on, they may lose their urge to be productive.

Often, Dr. Brodsky added, "these people have no loyalties and feel

stateless and culture-less. They lack a sense of personal identity."

Furthermore, he said, family support base is limited — as they were unable to share their experiences with their spouses and children, and were afraid to love.

When a Holocaust survivor needs hospital or nursing home care, there is another traumatic reaction, little understood by professional geriatric workers: The patients feel a loss of control over their own destiny and allow themselves to surrender to authority as they did 45 years ago. Doctors often unwittingly remind now-infirm survivors of experiences they or their children underwent. The state of their health puts them into a panic as they recall that the sick and infirm were the first to be killed in the camps.

According to experts, ageing concentration camp survivors suffer from insomnia, nightmares, predisposition to illness and hypochondria, chronic fatigue, impatience and aggressive behaviour towards others.

One seminar speaker mentioned that those who were in hiding during the war experienced more stress and fear, and felt the need for constant alertness more than camp inmates. Survivors also often revealed symptoms of "premature ageing": Therapists have treated people of 48 or 54 as geriatric patients, finding that their decline was due to poor nutrition, long term stress and hard labour as much as to psychological "wear and tear."

RETIREMENT, often a traumatizing experience for people who have not been through the Holocaust, can for the survivor lead to total mental or physical breakdown, said Prof. Haim Dasberg, director of Ezra Nashim Hospital and lecturer in Holocaust studies at Bar-Ilan University.

"As long as I'm busy, I don't have to think" is the survivor's motto," Dasberg, a Holocaust survivor,



(Debbi Cooper)

noted. Work warded off nightmares — indeed, he emphasized, when the retired survivor worked, he coped well.

Despite the tremendous burden borne by Holocaust survivors, especially in their later years, a few positive aspects can be mentioned. An informal but very tight brotherhood of those who survived developed after the war, replacing in some cases natural family ties. Even today, members of the "substitute clans" cross oceans for each other's children's weddings and maintain close contact by telephone or letters,

according to speakers at the seminar.

Some survivors feel they remained alive to "bear witness" and hence, after retirement, when they finally come to terms with their memories and their present situation in life, may "open up" for the first time in 40 years.

The present tendency in local schools towards giving children assignments to seek information on their roots is a boon in getting long-silent grandparents to talk. Also books, articles and even research projects are being undertaken by

Holocaust survivors in their '70s, '80s and even '90s.

Dr. Brodsky made a plea for a balanced approach to dealing with this unique population. The tendency among professionals, she said, is to concentrate on the extreme cases — the non-coping, clinically ill survivors. However, most people who lived through the war, she stressed, have led normal lives.

"They have married, raised children, worked productively and shown incredible strength. It's not fair to treat them as a problem," she said.

Domestic violence: a two-way street

Carl Schrag

"EVERY STATE in the United States has a law that deals specifically with domestic violence," according to Hebrew University law school graduate Miriam Benson, and many even require couples to pay a fee supporting battered women's shelters before they can get a marriage licence.

Active in a number of women's organizations and civil rights groups, Benson has done much research on domestic violence and was one of the coordinators of a day-long workshop on the subject held recently at the Hebrew University in Jerusalem.

The workshop was co-sponsored by Na'amat, the Department of Criminology of the Hebrew University and the School of Social Work at Haifa University — "the first conference to deal with the issue in such depth," according to Benson.

She had set high goals for the day: helping reduce the level of family violence and influencing policy making at the national level.

Approximately 180 people attended, including prominent

members of the public sector, and about 30 police officers — the latter contingent of great significance, according to Benson.

"If a battered woman makes any contact with an outside organization, it's usually the police," she said. "That makes the response of the police very important. We hope the day sensitized them to the issue."

The subject of violence between couples was dealt with from different perspectives, including current legal ramifications and what Jewish law has to say about it. In one of the most interesting sessions, several social workers and psychologists discussed the programmes they operate for abusers and abused.

Janet Goldstein is a social worker working with Project Shalom Bayit, which helps women after they leave the protective environment of a battered women's shelter.

Goldstein described women who leave abusive husbands as extremely vulnerable and very much alone. Many turn to battered women's shelters as a protective respite, but the

shelter is only a temporary solution, she says. Eventually, such women must face life in the "real world." Indeed, American researchers have found that leaving the shelter is the hardest step a battered woman must take.

Project Shalom Bayit's programme begins with a painstakingly slow three-month outreach effort, during which potential group members are recruited.

"When I tell a woman that I've been looking for her, that I reached her after asking questions at the shelters, Kupat Holim and the neighbourhood makor," Goldstein said, "it makes her feel important. After all someone was trying to find her."

Merely being invited to join a Shalom Bayit group makes a woman realize that she is not the only abused woman in the world, and that she is not to blame for her situation.

PROJECT Shalom Bayit's first group, established last November in Herzliya, will be disbanded soon after having achieved its primary goals. A second group has just been formed in Haifa and Goldstein predicts that more of the groups will be set up in different parts of the country, in the coming months.

The weekly sessions are dedicated to building the confidence and self-image of the participants.

"When a woman speaks," Goldstein told the audience, "nobody interrupts her. For many of these women, the group offers the first opportunity she has ever had to speak for five or 10 minutes without being interrupted."

The women learn to share their experiences with the group and talk

about their little successes. These may include hiring a babysitter and spending half-an-hour in a cafe with a friend.

"As time passes," Goldstein noted, "my role as group leader lessens and the members take charge of the sessions on their own."

In the Herzliya group, members started exchanging telephone numbers and meeting socially after the third meeting. Through their interaction with the other women, the participants, in Goldstein's words, "develop the will to try things they wouldn't have done before — and they succeed."

Subjects of particular interest to women who are "re-entering" society include: assertiveness training; dealing with household finances and depression, and social outreach. Goldstein explained that as the women in her group gained self-confidence, the women gradually

begin to feel ready to develop new relationships with men.

MANY STATISTICS were cited during the study day. Among them were the results of a Na'amat-sponsored survey of 1,200 Israeli men and women on the subject of spouse-beating. Fully 20 per cent of the men surveyed said they believed that spouse-beating can be justified and one-quarter of them said they knew women who have been beaten.

Benson said that available statistics indicate that the problem in Israel is on a par with spouse-beating in other western countries.

One area in which Israeli statistics stand out is in the percentage of women who have been unable to divorce abusive husbands.

In describing the candidates for Project Shalom Bayit, Goldstein said that 91 per cent had tried to obtain a get (rabbinical divorce decree) but that only 18 per cent had succeeded.

In most cases, the rabbis urged the women to try to make the marriage succeed despite the problems. Many

tried, but 62 per cent did not succeed.

One symposium speaker, a psychologist, noted that spouse-battering can go the other way, and he cited examples of women abusing their husbands. The participants in the session devoted to this topic were unwilling to equate the two problems, saying that husband abuse may cause humiliation and displeasure but that wife-abuse, can in its most extreme form, lead to murder.

According to Benson, the greatest accomplishment of the conference was that it brought together professionals from every social and public services branch that deals with violence between couples.

She cited a Minnesota study which found that when all government agencies coordinate their efforts and specify stopping the violence as their primary goal, the level of abuse can be reduced.

"That was my idea for this conference," Benson said. "I wanted to get people from all branches together to focus on stopping the violence."

Licking the Soviet liquor problem

Judy Dempsey
Moscow

back to her parents — not an attractive idea.

Then the anti-alcohol campaign got under way. "I was a bit skeptical at first," said an elderly telex operator. "You know, there was a Soviet leader, trying to change our social habits. I hadn't much hope."

The anti-alcohol campaign first started under the late Yuri Andropov and lapsed under former leader Konstantin Chernenko. But it has been zealously pursued by Gorbachev, and the reaction has been quite fantastic.

The embarrassment has been intensified by Gorbachev, "a real puritan if there ever was one" a veteran journalist commented. First of all, Gorbachev put the militia on the streets to tidy them up. And they needed it. Last time I was in Moscow — nine years ago — lamp-posts supported innumerable drunks and the underground railway was decorated with dazed men.

And from all accounts, the factories were worse. Liquor was sold near the factory gates or even inside in the special factory shops. The scope for accidents, carelessness, and poor

work was enormous. The party media has recently reported, that because of the anti-alcohol campaign and strict penalties on those caught drinking while driving, road accident rates have diminished considerably.

But whether the campaign will last is another question. Of the several Russian women I asked, some thought that if Gorbachev can keep the pressure up, it might succeed. Others were less sure. "You know the samogon (moonshine) is thriving here," commented one old lady. And she remarked that back in the 1920's, Stalin tried to ban all alcohol.

Already, there are signs of a slight

softening on the part of the authorities. Perhaps they don't want Gorbachev to be portrayed as a man who cannot enjoy himself. The stores now sell loads of Georgian wine and Soviet champagne. As politburo member, Geidar Aliyev said at a news conference recently, "And what is wrong with a glass of wine or a bottle of champagne, especially if it's your wife's birthday?"

In any event, as some Soviet women pointed out, a bribe to the waiter will still, almost always, get you that bottle of vodka."

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Today is edited by Amy Levinson

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Hevrat Ha'ovdim head Rosolio

'In changing economy, we must team up, trim down to compete'

By JEFF BLACK

As far as Danny Rosolio is concerned, "conglomerate" is not an ugly word. "Many industries in Israel, especially in the development towns, are small industries which need a proper environment in order to develop," he says of a need for these small firms to combine. "We have left behind us the period of establishing labour-intensive industries as the solution for development towns," he says.

Last week, Rosolio, the chief executive officer of the Histadrut holding company Hevrat Ha'ovdim, announced the beginning of negotiations between Hevrat Ha'ovdim's Tiyus concern and Bank Hapoalim's investment company. The aim of the negotiations is to arrive at a management contract under which the investment company will provide management services for Tiyus, a concern employing 1,300 people, mainly in textile factories in development towns.

This, says Rosolio, "is part of our long-range strategy to concentrate all non-Koor activities under one roof." He denies that these particular negotiations stem from any financial difficulties within Tiyus. Koor Ltd. is the labour-federation-owned industrial giant.

"There is nothing in this process which is the outcome of some emergency situation," he stresses. But when asked about Tiyus's current financial situation, Rosolio refuses to answer, pointing out that the concern has not published a recent, up to date balance sheet.

The buzz-word in Rosolio's office at present is expansion. Hevrat Ha'ovdim, which employs 20 per cent of the country's work-force, has the Histadrut's approval to almost double the size of the vocational manpower at its headquarters by employing experts on special contracts.

This Histadrut approval, says Rosolio, should put paid to the reports of antagonism between him and Histadrut secretary-general Yisrael Kessar. Such an expansion, he explains, in essence strengthens his position.

This may be so, but sources close to Kessar are still none too complimentary about Rosolio's intellectual grasp of economics, one describing him as an "ignoramus."

Rosolio was chairman of Solel Boneh's board of directors during the crisis which nearly destroyed what was once the flagship of Hevrat

Ha'ovdim. But he denies that those days can be exclusively termed as the bad days of Hevrat Ha'ovdim.

He points out that the period was an economic disaster for the whole country which, in the case of construction affected not just Solel Boneh, but the whole building industry. "If you look at what happened in the construction companies, many of them went bankrupt," he said.

Solel Boneh's critics, however, argue that the company only kept its head above water because of government intervention. This Rosolio rejects: "The government did not put a penny into Solel Boneh and therefore all talk of the government allocating a \$90 million grant is not the case. The only thing the govern-

changes in the business environment.

The economy, Rosolio points out, is changing dramatically for three principal reasons. The government, first of all, is trying to give up its role as a substitute for the capital market. Secondly, there is the Free Trade Area agreement with the U.S., while thirdly next year sees the end of Israel's agreement with the European Community under which Israel was allowed a certain measure of protection in its trade with the community.

As part of Hevrat Ha'ovdim's reaction to these new developments, the company is now preparing to enter the capital market. Firms now fully owned by Hevrat Ha'ovdim will sell part of their equity of the stock



The Alliance Tire and Rubber Co. production line in Hadera.

ment approved was a rescue plan which we took upon our shoulders—they gave the bank resources to reschedule the loans which Solel Boneh has to pay back."

The talk of a government bail-out plan, Rosolio reflects, stems from the fact that Hevrat Ha'ovdim is a political target of the Likud through which it attacks the Histadrut and by extension, the labour movement. It has nothing to do with the real facts, he contends.

The future of Hevrat Ha'ovdim, like its past, is inextricably linked with the fate of the national economy as a whole. The policy of concentrating all non-Koor industries under one roof is part of the holding company's response to

exchange or find partners in order to mobilize funds for investment. As Rosolio says: "You can't build an economy by taking loans."

Rosolio does not find it strange that the labour federation's industrial arm is so concerned about the state of the capital market.

"From the very beginning, Hevrat Ha'ovdim worked with the market. There is no shame in gathering capital from it," he says, while making clear that speculation on the other hand, is an entirely different issue.

The special quality of Hevrat Ha'ovdim is that if it holds the majority of shares in a company, he says, it can implement policies of national importance, such as providing employment in development towns.

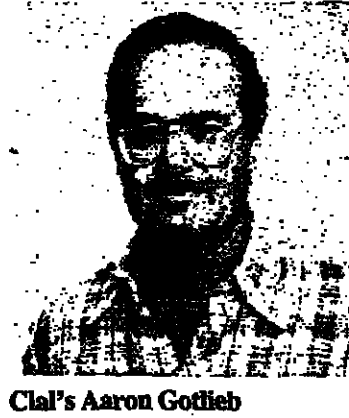
EXECUTIVE CHANGES

Two new marketing managers

AARON GOTTLIEB has been named joint marketing manager at Clal Building Systems Ltd. and Clal Concrete Products Ltd., both subsidiaries of Clal Ltd. Gottlieb, 44, will work in the combined operations of the two companies, part of the A.P. Clal Group.

He is a graduate of the Hebrew University and has a degree in marketing from a Paris graduate programme in business administration. He was previously marketing manager for the Mabat Ltd. unit of Rim Industries Ltd., a Jerusalem-based furniture maker.

At Medan Computers Ltd., YEHUDA TIKUTSKI has been appointed marketing manager for facsimile equipment. In his new position, he will be responsible for distributing equipment and developing new



Clal's Aaron Gottlieb

business among institutions and industrial concerns.

Age 33, Tikutski has a masters degree in industrial psychology and worked for several years for Tech Training Ltd., where he advised clients on management, organizational development and marketing in the sales field.

Hevrat Ha'ovdim's new umbrella company for its building and development subsidiaries, formed several weeks ago, got a board of directors last week, headed by Labour MK RAFT EDRI.

World's biggest air-cargo hauler

High tech terminal wins Lufthansa its No. 1 spot

Post Aviation Reporter
"We are the No. 1 air freight carrier worldwide," boasts Lufthansa Cargo General Manager for the Americas, Klaus Zimmermann.

Indeed, Lufthansa moved 635,000 tons of freight (the equivalent of the cargo of 6,350 Boeing 747 cargo planes) last year, taking over top spot from Japan Airlines and Air France. The 2.4 billion Deutschmarks earned from cargo and mail represented one quarter of Lufthansa's total transportation revenue.

"We expect air cargo to be one of our growth factors again in 1987," Zimmermann told reporters in Frankfurt recently. "The statistics for the first four months show already that we are successful." Lufthansa's cargo tonnage increased by another 14.4 per cent in the first third of this year.

Lufthansa's ascendancy in the air cargo field is due in no small measure to its ultra-modern cargo-handling facility at Frankfurt. Built in 1982, the Lufthansa Cargo Centre (LCC), which has so far cost 300 million marks, ranks as the largest and most modern of its type in the world.

The heart of the LCC is the cargo-processing hall covering an area of more than 19 dunams, serving mainly for the loading and unloading of containers and pallets. As many as 44 trucks can deliver or collect freight simultaneously at a loading ramp 250 metres long.

A computer-controlled conveyor system channels the freight into three different storage systems. Small shipments are sorted according to destination and up to 10,000 parcels can be put into intermediate storage in the mini-shipment racks.

Medium-sized shipments are sorted into boxes and forwarded by a computerized system into a 14-lane storage facility, each lane 16 levels high. Electronic control enables a deposit or withdrawal every five seconds.

Pallets and containers are moved automatically into intermediate storage as well—at nine-storeys high, the

tailor storage rack of its kind in the world. Specially developed 100-ton stacking cranes are also computer-controlled.

A visit to the cargo-processing hall reminds one of a scene out of a science-fiction movie. Hundreds of tons of freight glide past silently on computer-controlled conveyor tracks and are stacked by the automatically-operated stacker cranes. All this with no human being in sight.

The storage and retrieval system is completely automated. A technician punches a computer keyboard and air freight item No. 637295 from Singapore hitches a ride on the automatic conveyor system for a short stopover while it waits for the next flight to Harare.

A certain amount of human hustle and bustle and to and from the fork-lift vehicles is in evidence at the central processing area. That is where the incoming freight is sorted and given a computer-readable tag before being shunted to the automatic system for storage until it is retrieved for dispatch.

The duty manager explains that one of the side benefits of the closed automated system is that there is no theft problem (unlike Heathrow airport, for example, notorious for poor security of cargo consignments).

The brain of the LCC is the central monitoring station. From here, various computer systems control and monitor the flow of freight within the terminal.

The physical flow of freight is accompanied by the electronic flow of information. The systems communicate with one another and exchange data, enabling the retrieval of warehouse and bill-of-lading data at any time. A computer-monitored warehouse check is conducted daily.

"Lufthansa has always emphasized the cargo business equally with the passenger business," Zimmermann says. "We cargo people always call it our second leg of the Lufthansa product...and you need two legs to run!"

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CURRENCY BASKET		1
U.S.A.	DOLLAR	1.8840
GERMANY	MARK	1.6095
GREAT BRITAIN	STERLING	2.6071
FRANCE	FRANC	0.2635
JAPAN	YEN	1.1224
HOLLAND	FLORIN	0.7812
SWITZERLAND	FRANC	1.0639
SPAIN	PESETA	0.2513
NORWAY	KRONE	0.2402
DENMARK	KRONE	0.2283
FINLAND	MARK	0.3632
CANADA	DOLLAR	1.1482
AUSTRALIA	DOLLAR	1.1488
SOUTH AFRICA	RAND	0.7796
NETHERLANDS	FLORIN	0.4238
NETHERLANDS	SCHEFFLING	1.2521
NETHERLANDS	LIBRA	1.2160
JORDAN	DINAR	0.7114
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MIDDLE EAST ECONOMY/Stephen Jukes

Gulf economies laid low by Iran-Iraq war

Hopes of economic recovery in the Gulf region have been dashed by violence in the Muslim holy city of Mecca and the threat of a clash between Iran and the Western powers. Gulf-based bankers report clear signs that foreign banks are retrenching still further and shying away from new business, particularly in Saudi Arabia.

Locally-based banks, committed to the Gulf countries, have little choice but to hang on and hope the UN can end the Iran-Iraq war.

Bankers say the deaths of hundreds of Iranian pilgrims in Mecca's violence three weeks ago and the ensuing war of words between Saudi Arabia and Iran shattered a tacit accord between the two powers, which had begun to stimulate economic recovery.

Co-operation between Riyadh and Tehran within the Organization of Petroleum Exporting Countries to drive oil prices up to \$18 a barrel benefited the whole region after the disastrous impact on state revenues last year when the market slumped below \$10.

But one banker says: "Mutual recriminations over the deaths in Mecca have led to a whole new ball game... with the area to tense, any bank is going to think very hard before doing new business."

Iran accused Saudi Arabia of shooting its pilgrims. Riyadh denied the charges and said most of those killed were trampled in a stampede provoked by Iranian demonstrators.

One banker says the Mecca deaths reinforced fears that had dominated the Gulf since the Iran-Iraq war began - whether Iranian fundamentalism could destabilize a region where Arab states had so far preserved stability.

Bankers say the steady escalation of the Gulf war this year, starting with Iran's offensive against Basra and culminating in U.S. escorts of Kuwaiti tankers, had already diminished prospects of economic recovery. They estimate the economies of Bahrain, Kuwait, Oman, Qatar, Saudi Arabia and the United Arab Emirates contracted last year by an average 9.5 per cent.

Economists were optimistic earlier this year that 1987 would see the first upturn since 1982-83. Higher oil prices will probably lead to modest renewed growth on paper, but non-oil gross domestic product is still weak.

Signs of nervousness have been growing. The impact has been most pronounced on banking strategy while stock and money markets - generally little developed in the Gulf - have shown only modest reaction.

Some foreign banks, already wary of corporate business in Saudi Arabia after running into debt repay-

ment problems, are waiting for the row over the Mecca deaths to subside before extending new loans.

A growing market in "debt swaps" has emerged as foreign banks, particularly American, switch out of Saudi loans in return for taking Latin American debt off the hands of local banks. Arab banks are keen to reduce their Latin American exposure, estimated by bankers at about \$4 billion.

One European banker says: "Lending to small or middle-tier Saudi firms is off limits after Mecca... Some American banks are reducing exposure by using the swaps market."

Banking in Bahrain is still shrinking. Assets of about 70 offshore banks fell in the first quarter 5.6 per cent to \$52.53b. more than \$10b. below the 1983 peak before the oil bubble burst. Foreign banks continue to cut staff.

Bankers believe the violence in Mecca is likely to slow further key banking reforms in Saudi Arabia, where bank profits remain under pressure.

The kingdom's first stock exchange floor closed after a brief experiment earlier this year and plans to set up a new system for handling debt disputes appear to be on the back burner, bankers say. Both the stock floor and banking reform are vital to stimulating domestic and foreign investment, but any moves towards Western-style banking practices would be almost impossible in the post-Mecca climate.

Saudi authorities stress the kingdom's role as guardian of Mecca and Medina, the two holiest cities in the Muslim faith, and bankers believe religious conservatives are likely to question far-reaching banking reform.

Gulf currencies have remained remarkably stable. The Saudi riyal has held firm at its 3.75 parity to the dollar in contrast to a year ago when weak oil prices sparked devaluation rumours.

But Saudi interest rates have been pushed modestly higher and in Kuwait, within earshot of the Gulf war front, the central bank has been careful to provide the money markets with ample liquidity to calm nerves. There are also fears that the few remaining big projects in the Gulf will be delayed, foremost among them a \$1b. offshore gas development in Qatar.

Additional oil revenues are not certain to be pumped back into Gulf economies. Western military sources say defence costs are rising, with major Gulf states now studying a joint purchase of minesweepers to clear shipping lanes. (Reuters)



CROSSWORD

ACROSS

- 7 Dermatologist's examination without appointment (4-5)
- 8 Gold study of poet (5)
- 10 Issue in which rich lend abnormally (8)
- 11 English university pleasant for a girl? (6)
- 12 Mountain-top has no work for the crooked (4)
- 13 Stern bar is hard lines on Welshman (8)
- 15 Robber needs equipment in Ah Baba's cage (7)
- 17 This short verse of Tyne needs time (7)
- 20 It ties dressing round pleasant for instance (8)
- 22 Name given to mimic showing white neck (4)
- 25 Rambling, I take family into Dad's Army (6)
- 26 Garnet, say—old comic carrying some weight (8)
- 27 Bird with a wooden leg (5)
- 28 Principle pair spliced on board (9)

DOWN

- 1 Cavalryman in a shipwreck (5)
- 2 Comment—this old leader in battle, effectively... (6)
- 3 ...and in forming a cabinet, he moved no hearts (8)
- 4 Prison—champion on it internally (7)
- 5 Fell-race competitor who never wins (6-2)
- 6 Tells all about the Camptown reporters? (9)
- 9 Common complaint of worker-fellow (4)
- 14 Ruthlessly ambitious sort finds way in Riviera resort (9)
- 16 Happy I find oil-change bloomers (8)
- 18 Healing preparation from date, with loose pap removed (8)
- 19 Hellish end of predatory giants, perhaps (7)
- 21 For example, Gilbert and Sullivan can make souffles (4)
- 23 Self-raising explosive device? (6)
- 24 Off-chance at Lord's? (5)

Friday's Solutions

MAKE BELIEVE
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PLAIN INSPECTOR
LINDEN TIVO
ASSURED STABLES
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ESTATE
ROTTERNEGG CRANE
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AILMENT RETINUE
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QUICK SOLUTION

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Down: 1. Clonidine; 2. Mustard; 3. Turned out; 4. Tolls; 5. Righten; 6. Sutch; 7. Magic carpet; 9. Silver paper; 14. Foreshore; 15. Interdict; 17. Marxist; 18. Pliable; 20. Plear; 21. Drawl.

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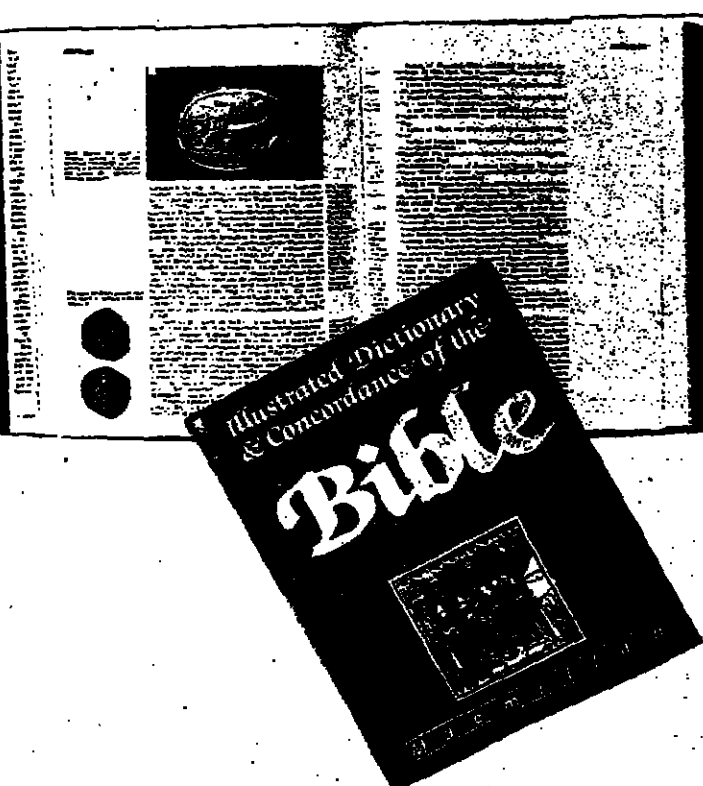
ACROSS

- 1 Out of hearing
- 4 Subjugate, burden
- 8 Small fragment
- 9 Lubricated
- 10 Supple
- 11 Son of Isaac and Jucavia
- 13 Dispatch
- 15 Carve in relief
- 17 Decorous
- 20 Recreation
- 22 Farewell
- 24 Consumed
- 26 Restow
- 27 Disperse
- 28 Design, ornament
- 29 Seraglio

DOWN

- 1 Proscenium free
- 2 Blockhead
- 3 Definitely stated
- 4 Choice
- 5 Haughty
- 6 Blot out
- 7 Teams
- 12 Collection of ancient Icelandic poems
- 13 Catch sight of
- 16 Floating
- 18 Bunkum
- 19 Outburst of petulance
- 21 Dummies
- 23 Make slightest movement
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The Kulturkampf spreads

THERE IS an old saying by Jewish sages that one should not impose a decree on the public that it cannot tolerate. The leaders of Israel's Orthodox and ultra-Orthodox camp would do well to bear in mind this wise advice before they order their fanatic followers to pursue their weekly Shabbat wars against the non-observant, secular majority of this country.

They have long overlooked the fact that in their recurrent, violent demonstrations, religious fanatics commit some of the worst sacrilege of the Shabbat, ostensibly in order to uphold its sanctity. The centre of Jerusalem on Friday night was more reminiscent of a military camp, with over 1,000 policemen deployed to contain Orthodox demonstrators within the confines of their Mea She'arim quarter.

If a strenuous cease-fire was maintained, preventing religious demonstrators from tackling Jerusalem Friday night cinema-goers quite a distance from their own neighbourhoods, it was at the price of well over 1,000 policemen being taken away from their families and being deprived of their well-deserved Shabbat rest.

In a seemingly ominous development, last Friday the *Kulturkampf* also spread to Haifa, Israel's most secular city where Shabbat bus service has been accepted as part of Israel's religious status quo since its founding.

In the case of Haifa, where religious fanatics were ordered to demonstrate at the city's peaceful pedestrian mall on Nordau street, there is ground to assume that some of these demonstrators were brought in from outside — presumably before the Shabbat set in — in order to reinforce Haifa's rather small Orthodox ranks. Moreover, in a rather unusual move, Haifa's Chief Rabbi, She'ar-Yashuv Cohen, of the mainstream Orthodox-Mizrachi establishment, sanctioned the demonstration, albeit promising that it would not get out of hand.

That, of course, proved impossible and only forceful police intervention prevented the spreading of violence after ultra-Orthodox demonstrators attacked a group of journalists, hurling some of the worst insults at them. The most significant of these abuses was the fanatic demonstrators' shouts that "this is not your country."

Well, it most certainly is, and the only way to maintain it within tolerable limits is for the Orthodox camp to display the same degree of respect for the other side as the non-observant show towards predominantly Orthodox neighbourhoods. Moreover, when on Thursday a still unidentified man committed the most despicable act of cutting off the sidelocks of an Orthodox boy in Mea She'arim, Jerusalem's Mayor Teddy Kolek was the first to condemn it in no uncertain terms. His condemnation was echoed immediately by a number of other secular leaders and groups.

This is something one unfortunately does not experience even when brutal violence is committed by religious fanatics.

For Jerusalem to keep its peace also on the Shabbat, its Orthodox citizens must respect the city's secular neighbourhoods and their way of life and stay away from them.

For one cannot impose a decree on the public that it cannot tolerate.

Terrorist games

A VERY CLEVER chap, that Charles Glass. After two months as a Shi'ite hostage in Beirut, the former ABC Television correspondent, a U.S. citizen, outwitted his guards and escaped to freedom, going first to Damascus and then home to London. That, at any rate, is Mr. Glass's version.

To say that his version is not entirely believable would be a gross understatement.

Mr. Glass is reported to be "disgruntled" by suggestions that his captors had deliberately relaxed their guard on order of their superiors, so as to let him fly the coop. But that is the only sensible explanation for his seemingly miraculous getaway. All it required was evidently for Syria to put enough pressure on still friendly Iran to lean heavily enough on obedient Hizbullah — to get Mr. Glass released, by his own devices as it were.

But why should all these parties have cooperated in the charade? The answer, plainly, is that it was in their interest. Syria was eager to justify the removal by the U.S. of the boycott it had instituted in the wake of the Heathrow incident last October. And Iran, for its part, was anxious to signal that, despite its fiery anti-American rhetoric, it was anxious to avoid a head-on clash with the Americans in the Gulf.

But why should it have been Mr. Glass, a Jew? Another American journalist, AP's Terry Anderson, who has been kept in Shi'ite captivity for over two and a half years now, might have seemed a better candidate for liberation. Unluckily for Mr. Anderson, he, unlike Mr. Glass, is not passionately pro-Arab and venomously anti-Israel. It was Mr. Glass who laid it down, in one of a series of articles in the *Spectator*, before his abduction, that the bomb discovered at the last moment in the hand-luggage of an El Al passenger at Heathrow had been planted there not by a Syrian agent, as a British court proposed, but by the Mossad.

Release from captivity was therefore Mr. Glass's due reward. Syria's expected reward for helping engineer it will soon be delivered. At their meeting in the White House last month, it is now revealed, President Reagan informed British Prime Minister Thatcher that the U.S. would be sending its ambassador back to Damascus before the end of August. Washington's decision to restore full diplomatic ties with Damascus seems to ignore the opinion made public two days ago by the State Department's chief anti-terror adviser that Syria's support of international terror activities has not ceased.

As matters stand, there are still 27 foreigners, most of them westerners, "missing" and presumed to be held hostage by Shi'ite kidnappers in Beirut or its environs. Mr. Glass's message to the world from his captors — reflecting a similar proposal by Iranian speaker Hashemi Rafsanjani — is that these innocents will only be freed in exchange for scores of Shi'ite terrorist goons and murderers in Israeli and Kuwaiti jails.

To Mr. Glass, that would apparently be a fair swap. Washington, luckily, has rejected these proposals outright, stating categorically that making concessions to terrorists only encourages further acts of terrorism.

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THE MIDDLE EAST conflict will be solved in Jerusalem, Amman and Tunis, not in Bucharest. Prime Minister Shamir's visit last week to Romania, while useful in improving bilateral Israeli-Romanian relations was, at best, ineffectual and futile in all that concerns the achievement of a Middle East peace settlement. A less generous interpretation would hold that here was a deliberate effort by the Likud hardliner to mislead the world and the Israeli public into believing that he had evinced flexibility and a sincere desire for accommodation based on compromise where there were nowhere present.

Through the three-day visit, Shamir and his aides broadcast one simple, clear and misleading message, which inevitably — given Romanian secretiveness and, by Western standards, insensitivity to the media — was re-transmitted with little qualification worldwide by newspapers and news agencies: Ceausescu regarded Shamir's stands as "positive." Ceausescu believed that the Arab world was now ripe for peace; Ceausescu believed there was little distance or difference between his own advocacy of an international conference framework for Middle East peace negotiations and Shamir's proposal of a "regional" mini-conference; and Ceausescu was now committed to trying to bridge this not overly significant gap between Israeli-Romanian perceptions and desires.

Throughout, Shamir's aides said the prime minister had broached with Ceausescu "new ideas" and "proposals" which, they hoped, Ceausescu would soon convey to the Arab leaders. No one, at any point explained what these "new ideas" and "proposals" consisted of or even referred to save for the proposed regional mini-conference — a proposal loudly and persistently rejected by both Egypt and Jordan.

Given the media's penchant for shorthand, what happened was that what Ceausescu was said to "think" or "believe," as enunciated by Shamir and his aides, was re-transmitted as either Shamir believes or as some form of objective truth — that is, the gap between Israel and Romania (and the Arabs) is not significant; Shamir's proposals were "positive,"

implying a degree of flexibility and give; the Arab world was much closer to accepting Israel's existence and peace. Ceausescu's "new ideas" and "proposals" became Shamir's new ideas and proposals.

THE REALITIES of Bucharest were somewhat different. Shamir had moved not one inch from his standard, stagnant positions: "No" to an international conference; "no" to Soviet entry into the Middle East peace process, in whatever form it proceeds; and "no" to PLO participation in that process.

For his part, Ceausescu had also failed to abandon any of his positions: "Yes" to an international conference, a concept that he had sired as he repeatedly informed his guest; and "yes" to Soviet and PLO participation in the conference or any other form of Middle East peace-making.

Where Ceausescu had shown some "give," according to Shamir and his aides, was in his readiness to convey Shamir's views, meaning the regional mini-conference proposal, to the Arab leaders. He was also willing to "continue the dialogue about peace" with Shamir — though what could conceivably emerge from this, aside from several trips for Romanian and Israeli officials and the semblance of some secret diplomacy by Shamir — as opposed to the competing reality of real, if not very effective, diplomatic footwork by Peres (vis-a-vis the Soviets, Jordan, etc.) — passes understanding.

WHAT THEN was the Bucharest meeting all about? It was, in large measure, a matter of images: Ceausescu summoned Shamir for "peace talks" in order to promote or

SHAMIR AND CEAUDESCU

An exercise in image-building

Benny Morris

re-promote his largely forgotten image as a peace-maker in the world political arena. In 1977, indeed, he had been instrumental — or at least "useful," in Shamir's phrase — in bringing together then Egyptian President Anwar Sadat and then Prime Minister Menachem Begin for the series of dialogues that resulted in the 1979 Israeli-Egyptian peace treaty. Ceausescu, who keeps abreast of Middle Eastern currents, realized that he probably had little or no chance of repeating that success. But he wished, at least, to remind the world, and perhaps Romanians, of his past glory as a mediator — a reminder that might for a moment take his countrymen's minds off the pain and sorrow of the bleak internal Romanian realities.

Shamir, for his part, was interested in changing his image in the West and among many Israelis as an indefatigable "nay-sayer." What better than three days of talking peace with Ceausescu? He would be under no obligation to give anything away and, whatever the direction of the talks, would always be able to say that he had travelled distances and spent days in the cause of peace. The fact that Ceausescu is sympathetic to the basic Arab moderates' positions could only help Shamir in his image building.

MOREOVER, the surprise Ceausescu invitation afforded Shamir a means of at least partially breaking out of his almost complete international isolation. Peres's political and diplomatic activities were

marked by almost continuous foreign travel (which was criticised by some Israelis as "showmanship" and publicity-seeking) — Morocco, Cairo, Bonn, London, The Hague, Paris, Washington, even a reported meeting with Hussein, to mention only a few of the stops. Shamir, in both his first and current premisses, has been virtually shunned in the West and the Arab world (save for the inevitable visits to Washington and Paris). Feelers from Jerusalem for invitations from Scandinavia and other points West, not to mention Cairo, are consistently met with polite stonewalling. Officials (in Scandinavia, for instance) will tell you: It is not the man, who is genial, pleasant, even grandfatherly; it is what he was and currently represents. No one wants to hear Shamir's reiteration of a position that amounts to preference for the status quo over a settlement necessarily involving territorial compromise.

So the Ceausescu invitation came as a breath of fresh and welcome air. At last, some foreign parts and talk of peace — if impossible with Arabs, at least with a *bona fide* friend of the Arabs.

Shamir's aides present the Bucharest talks as the start of a Shamir diplomatic counter-offensive, as Peres had his day with the international conference diplomacy. That diplomacy and idea now dead, it was Shamir's turn to promote his alternative route to peace — via a regional mini-conference or through direct, face-to-face negotiations. According to Shamir's aides, other high-level meetings are on the cards — possibly with British Prime Minister Margaret Thatcher (who has Hussein's ear) and, they hint, with unnamed

Arab leaders. The Arabs will realise that there is no other route to peace and will eventually fall into line. Maybe, but maybe not. The Arabs — Egypt, Jordan, the Saudis, Morocco — have proven patient and obstinate, no less obstinate than Shamir. Two decades passed before they resigned themselves to Israel's existence. Another decade or more passed before, in varying degrees, they abandoned the "no's of Khartoum." Now — like, indeed, Ceausescu — they are unlikely to quickly or readily abandon the international conference formula. Their adherence to that formula, more or less agreed upon by the whole world, will probably outlast Shamir's premiership, even if he is re-elected next year.

BILATERALLY, Shamir's visit to Bucharest has no doubt inaugurated a substantial improvement in Israeli-Romanian relations. The impending visit of the Romanian prime minister here will be a first in Israeli-East Bloc relations. Indirectly and perhaps directly, the visit may also further Israel's aim of generally improving its ties with Eastern Europe. But Israel is not going to be the salvation of Romania's economy. Perhaps the visit will result in an increase of Israeli imports — from \$30 million annually to \$50 or \$70 million. But this will still be a drop in the bucket of Romanian penury. The system and the philosophy must change before Romania can resume its pre-World War II position as a food and raw materials exporter. The answer does not lie in Israel, nor even in Israel's influence in Washington, an influence which failed to sway Congress to vote "most favoured nation" status upon Romania.

In a week or a month's time the Bucharest visit will have been forgotten, a small vanished ripple in a giant pond. It will have contributed nothing to the cause of Middle East peace. As one of Shamir's aides candidly conceded, Bucharest had brought Middle East peace "not one inch closer."

(The writer is diplomatic correspondent of The Jerusalem Post.)

HOSTAGES

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In London, the Church of England said it viewed the report with "extreme scepticism. We are not in the business of negotiating over Terry Waite," said a spokesman for the Archbishop of Canterbury. "As we've always said and as Terry Waite himself said: 'No deal, no exchange, no ransom for me.'"

The Islamic Jihad accused Kuwait of mistreating the 17 Arabs imprisoned in Kuwait in 1983 for political violence. It gave Kuwait 15 days to issue filmed interviews with the prisoners before it starts treating the hostages "in the same manner," and puts an end to any future news on them.

The statement was accompanied by a video tape of Kaufmann, 44, and Carton, 63. Both looked in good shape and clean shaven.

They pleaded with their government to meet the group's demands and end their ordeal. "How much longer do you think we can hold on?"

It is clear that we are a burden on France. France and Kuwait are friendly countries. Why haven't there been any attempts at overtures?" said Kaufmann.

Militia sources in Beirut say prospects for the release of the five hostages has dimmed after the Iranian kidnappers have explicitly linked their fate to the Arabs jailed in Kuwait.

"Those hostages are stuck... the Kuwaitis are not going to free the prisoners just to please Iran, especially now that Iran is threatening them in the Gulf," a senior militia source said.

The 17 Arabs were convicted of bombing U.S., French and Kuwaiti buildings in the emirate in 1983 and Kuwait has refused to discuss releasing them.

President Reagan yesterday thanked Syrian President Hafez Al-Assad and his government for their help in freeing American hostage Charles Glass. (AFP, Reuters)

SUICIDE

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Adam ambulance arrived in about 10 minutes and took her to Bikur Holim Hospital, the duty hospital that evening. Yoram Sheftel and his colleague John Gill followed.

Gill at first denied yesterday that Pritchard had tried to commit suicide. "She was just physically exhausted," he said. "She didn't eat well or sleep for a couple of days. She just kind of collapsed in bed."

During the days of her testimony, Pritchard had stayed up all night working on a photo-montage that one of the judges had requested and trying to anticipate questions she might be asked in court, Gill said.

But under cross-examination by prosecutor Michael Shaked, Pritchard retracted a point she had made earlier regarding the work of a German photo-identification expert and said she apologized "if he is hurt."

Having started her testimony with ample self-confidence, Pritchard saw her professional reputation undermined as Shaked made her first retract her allegations against German prosecution witness Reinhard Almann and later apologize to him. At a final low-point, the witness was made to admit that she was no expert of photo-identification and that her degrees, largely based on correspondence courses, did not qualify her as an expert.

Although Pritchard, 40, had honestly and bravely tried to cope with Shaked's thoroughly researched questions, she faltered several times. On occasion Sheftel and Gill had to bail her out. Once they even asked for an early recess to give her a breathing spell. At the end of Wednesday's session, court president Dov Levin asked Sheftel, who was questioning Pritchard on redirect: "Why torment the witness further, after she has admitted that she is no expert?"

After the session, however, Shaked shook Pritchard's hand in a gesture of conciliation and fair play. Gill, who stood by, reportedly told the Swedish-born American: "You see, he's not such a bad guy." Pritchard is said to have replied: "That much I know about human faces."

VIOLENCE

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tions gunman. The film was screened in Britain last year.

Popular newspapers have initially tagged as "Rambo," the killer Michael Ryan, 27, who rampaged through the market town of Hungerford, west of London, last Wednesday. After killing 14, including his mother, he shot himself.

"When there has been any major tragedy, we look at our schedules to see if there is anything which is not appropriate," the BBC spokesman said.

A scheduled screening at the Edinburgh Festival of the BBC film "Body Contact," described as a stylish pastiche reminiscent of "Bonnie and Clyde," has also been cancelled.

And the regional commercial television network Anglia said it had cancelled a planned showing of the Western "Nevada Smith" and replaced the weekend episode of the British drama series "The Professionals" with a less violent one.



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THE TUNA CONTROVERSY

To the Editor of The Jerusalem Post: Sir, — I was surprised to read in your paper of August 7 about a supposed "rift" between the Chief Rabbinate and the Orthodox Union. As one who was involved in the Williger-Chicken of the Sea controversy from the beginning, I would like to clarify its background so that your readers will know the full story.

1) An agreement was made between the Chief Rabbinate and the O.U. to the effect that fish which comes to Israel under O.U. supervision will be prepared by the O.U. according to rabbinic specifications. (Incidentally, we have similar agreements with kosher organizations in England, Denmark, Norway and the U.S.) This agreement had already been implemented by the O.U. in December 1986 with Star-kist tuna without any hesitation on their part, and they agreed to continue doing so in the future.

2) In April of this year, the importer, Mr. Williger informed us that he intended to import Chicken of the Sea tuna with the O.U. and asked whether that was acceptable to the rabbinic. (By law, all kosher imports to Israel must have certification from the rabbinic.) I answered that as our requirements differ from the O.U.'s, he should request that the O.U. arrange special production for Israel, as they had done for Star-kist a few months earlier.

3) During recent conversations with the O.U. we were told that there had been no recent requests for an "Israel run," and that only for Star-kist had one been made. This obviously meant that Williger had not contacted the O.U. as he should have, and that the fish he imported had not been produced in accordance with our specifications.

4) The ministry of commerce and industry informed us that Williger, in his request to them to import fish, stated that he wished to import it as bearing no kosher symbol or certification. (If one wishes to import a product as kosher one must declare it as such.)

5) From all the above, it is quite clear that there is no "war" between the rabbinic and the O.U., as Williger would have us believe, but rather there is a fight between the rabbinic and the O.U. on the one hand and Williger on the other. Mr. Williger was caught and is trying to cover his tracks by crying politics.

6) If it were the first time Williger had been caught, we might be inclined to forgive him. However, in the past year alone, we have uncovered at least three serious kosher problems with Williger (some of which have been given to the police for investigation), and therefore we must conclude that the tuna story is not simply an innocent mistake, especially since both Rabbi Ya'akovovitz and I have personally instructed Mr. Williger concerning the rabbinic's kosher requirements.

7) During the interview with Ms. Segal, Rabbi Ya'akovovitz stated clearly that the O.U. is a kosher organization acceptable to the Rabbinate and that he himself has eaten products bearing their seal. For some reason, these points were omitted from the article. They are the clearest proof that the whole story has been blown up out of all proportion.

RABBI TZVI LIKER
 Jerusalem.

IRATE PARENT

To the Editor of The Jerusalem Post: Sir, — I am writing to you as an irate American mother visiting this country at great expense (at this time of year) and also travelling alone, as my husband could not leave our business in New Jersey in summer — to visit my new granddaughter and the entire family.

I have been here a little over one week and have another 10 days to

spend with my son and family, and today he was taken into the army. I could understand if this were an emergency, but since there is none now, I cannot understand this total disregard for a parent who is here to have a little pleasure with a displaced American family for so short a time.

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